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The specific areas or regions of PVO within the USSR comprised an area around strategic cities. These areas were known as the Area of Air Defense of the Country (Rayon Protivovozdushnoy Oborony v Strany).

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These areas were of various sizes and encompassed any number of military districts. In no way did the PVO area coincide with the Military District and neither was it subordinate to any military district in any way whatsoever. The Military District supported the PVO area only logistically. The PVO unit was a separate and distinct unit responsible only to the commanding officer of that area who in turn was subordinate to the main PVO headquarters in Moscow.

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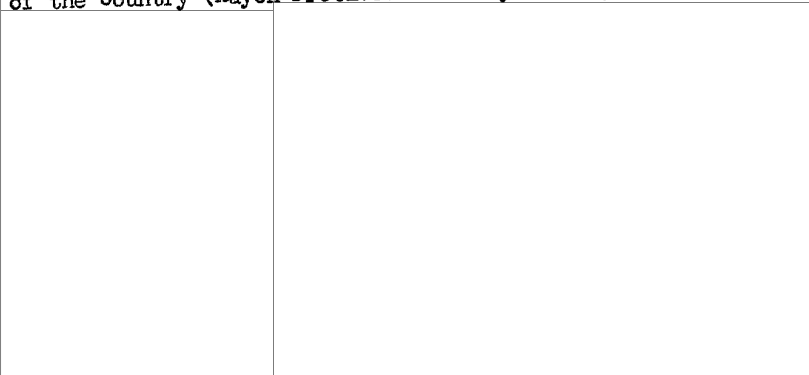
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The specific name of the PVO organization responsible for the air defense of each region or area was the Area of Air Defense of the Country (Rayon Protivovozdushnoy Oborony v Strany).



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